

Food Vendors: All food vendors participating in the 2026 West Virginia Folk Festival that do not hold a statewide mobile food unit permit must obtain a Gilmer County temporary food establishment permit to participate in the event. To obtain a permit:

1. Submit a completed [APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO OPERATE A TEMPORARY FOOD ESTABLISHMENT](#) to the Gilmer County Health Department. **Deadline: May 1st, 2026**, or display your current Statewide Mobile Food Unit permit.
2. Pay appropriate permit fees to the Gilmer County Health Department. The one-time event fee for Gilmer County is **\$50**, payable by cash, check, or credit card. Credit payments may be made by calling 304-462-7351. Non-profits please provide a copy of your current non-profit status.
3. Demonstrate proper, valid food safety training certification by all staff members involved in food handling. Statewide or Gilmer County Food Handler cards are available at gilmerhealthwv.com → environmental → food handler training.
4. Schedule a pre-operational inspection well before you are to start vending by contacting the Gilmer County Health Inspector at 304-462-7351 or by text at 304-462-9234.

Gilmer County Health Department may issue a permit if these conditions are met. Mobile Food Units already under statewide permit should also give at least 3 days notice of their attendance by calling 304-462-7351 or texting 304-462-9234. Temporary permits are valid for participation in the West Virginia Folk Festival only and are not transferable. The Gilmer County Health Department reserves the right to conduct additional inspections for the duration of the event.

You may both submit applications and payments, and direct questions regarding the permitting procedure to:

Gilmer County Health Department

809 Medical Drive, Suite 3

Glennville, WV 26351

Phone: (304) 462-7351

Fax: (304) 462-8956



Scan for Temporary Food Application

